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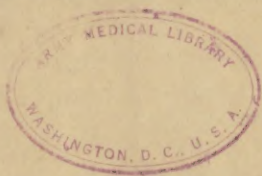


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BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE.

Notice shall be given by the Board of Health of all regulations made by it, by publishing the same in some newspaper of the District, or where there is no such newspaper, by causing them to be posted in three public places of the town or the district; and such notice of such regulation shall be deemed legal notice to all persons. (Civil Code Section 284.)

QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

At a meeting of the Board of Health, held March 18, 1891, the following Quarantine Regulations were unanimously adopted:

1. The Board of Health may, from time to time, establish the quarantine to be performed by all vessels arriving at any port of the Kingdom, and may make such quarantine regulations as may be deemed necessary for the public health and safety. (Civil Code, Section 292.)

Regulations
for Quarantine.

2. The quarantine regulations so established shall extend to all persons, goods and effects, arriving in such vessels, and to all persons who may visit or go on board of the same. (Civil Code, Section 293).

To be Inclusive.

3. Notice shall be given of such quarantine regulations by publication in the manner provided in Section 284 of the Civil Code; after which notice, any person violating such quarantine regulations shall be fined a sum of not less than five dollars nor more than five hundred dollars. (Civil Code, Section 294).

And to be published—Penalty for violating quarantine regulations.

4. Any vessel which shall refuse to submit to quarantine or which shall leave the quarantine ground before the expiration of the quarantine imposed upon her, or which shall be the means of clandestinely introducing into this Kingdom any contagious disease, or any disease dangerous to the public health, shall be liable to seizure, confiscation and sale for the benefit of the public treasury. (Civil Code, Section 295).

Penalty for violating quarantine regulations.

Disinfection
and cleans-
ing of ves-
sels, persons
and cargoes

5. The Board of Health or its agents may at any time cause a vessel arriving at any port in this Kingdom, when they deem such vessel, or any part of its cargo, to be foul, infected, or in any way dangerous to the public health, to be removed to the nearest quarantine ground, and to be thoroughly purified at the expense of the owners, consignees or persons in possession of the same; and they may also cause all persons arriving in or going on board of such vessel, or handling such infected cargo, to be removed to some place of safety, there to remain under their orders. (Civil Code, Section 296).

Penalty for re-
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6. If any master, seaman, or passenger, belonging to a vessel on board of which there may be at the time, or may have lately been, or suspected to have been, any infectious or contagious disease, or that which may become the source of such disease, or which may have been at or have come from a port where any infectious or contagious disease prevailed that may endanger the public health, shall refuse to make answer on oath to such questions as may be asked him, relating to said disease, or possible source of disease, by the Board of Health or its agents, such master, seaman, or passenger, so refusing, shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or be imprisoned with hard labor for not more than twelve months, or both, at the discretion of the Court. (Civil Code, Section 297).

Pilot, before
boarding a
vessel, to in-
quire after
the health
of those on
board.

7. Upon the arrival of any vessel making the usual marine signal for a pilot, it shall be the duty of the Pilot or Pilots at the port, to immediately put off to such vessel, taking with him a white and a yellow flag, to inquire into the sanitary condition of the ship and the health of those on board; and upon being assured to his satisfaction that there is no danger to be apprehended from any contagious disease, he shall board the vessel, but not otherwise. (Civil Code, Section 594).

To present
certificate
for Captain
to sign and
to hoist a
flag.

8. Upon boarding the vessel, the Pilot shall present to the commanding officer a health certificate to be signed by him, and in case the same shall be signed, the white flag shall be immediately hoisted at the main, and the Pilot shall be at liberty to bring the vessel into port; but in case the commanding officer shall decline to sign the certificate of health, the Pilot shall deliver to him a yellow flag, which the master shall hoist at the main, and the vessel shall be placed in quarantine outside of the harbor,

and anchored where the Pilot may direct. Any Pilot who shall conduct a vessel into any port in this Kingdom, in violation of provisions of this section, or any of the regulations of the Board of Health, or knowing that there is just ground to suspect the existence of contagion on board, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars; and every vessel, the master of which shall have declined to sign a certificate of health, as above prescribed, shall upon entering port, be liable to seizure, confiscation and sale. (Civil Code, Section 595.)

Penalty for violation.

9. If the Pilot, after boarding any vessel, shall discover the existence of any infectious or contagious disease, he shall not return on shore without the permission of the Board of Health; neither shall it be lawful for any of the ship's company or passengers to land, or communicate with the shore, or to board any other vessel, without the permission of the Board of Health, or the Collector, under the penalty of a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars. (Civil Code, Section 596.)

No communication for vessels in quarantine, with shore or other ships until permitted.

10. The Board of Health and its agents, may from time to time, at their discretion, appoint certain places within or near any harbor or anchorage in the Hawaiian Islands, for the performance of quarantine, where all or any vessel or vessels liable to quarantine, and the officers, crews, passengers and other persons on board thereof, shall perform the same; and also may appoint stations apart from such vessels, where any persons or things shall be detained for the performance of quarantine.

Quarantine Grounds.

11. Every vessel arriving off any port of these Islands, may be boarded by the Port Physician, who shall examine personally the crews and passengers, and if satisfied that no contagious or infectious disease, that is dangerous to the public health, exists, or has recently existed on board, he shall give the Captain a certificate to that effect; but if not so satisfied, he shall order the Pilot to anchor the vessel outside of the harbor and notify the Board of Health of the facts. No vessel may enter the harbor of any port of this Kingdom, when forbidden to do so by the Port Physician of said port.

Port Physician may examine vessels arriving.

12. All expenses incurred on account of any person, vessel, or goods, under any quarantine regulations, shall be paid by such person, vessel or owner, or consignee of such vessel or goods, the vessel causing them not receiving a permit to quit the port until said expenses are paid, or surety for their payment given.

Expenses of quarantine to be paid by the vessel, its owners, assignees or possessors.

Port Physi-
cian's fees
and expen-
ses.

13. In every case where a vessel is boarded by the Port Physician, his fees and expenses shall be paid by the vessel or its representatives; and if said vessel or its representatives decline to pay these fees, the Collector of Customs shall collect them and shall not grant a clearance to said vessel until such fees and expenses shall have been paid.

Persons auth-
orized to act
as Port Physi-
cians.

14. The resident physicians who are, or shall be, appointed by the Government to take charge of the various districts of these Islands, except Honolulu, are hereby appointed by the Board of Health to act as Port Physicians for all ports in their several districts.

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tine with
passengers
or goods for
a port.

15. If a vessel, passing on to another port or country, wish to land persons or goods in any port of these Islands, the said vessel being obliged to undergo quarantine under the provisions of any of the previous Sections of these regulations, the person or goods entering said port of these Islands may be landed and shall undergo such quarantine or other treatment as the Board of Health shall order, after which the vessel shall be free to depart, when her quarantine is raised.

Quarantine
for vessels
coming from
any Port
where there
was cholera,
yellow fever,
small-pox
scarlet fever,
plague, etc.

16. On the arrival of a vessel at any port of this Kingdom, coming from a port known to be infected with cholera, yellow fever, smallpox, scarlet fever, plague or any other contagious or infectious disease deemed by the Board of Health to be dangerous to public health, although no case of such disease may have broken out on board during the voyage, the officers, crew and passengers of such vessel may be kept in quarantine until a period of eighteen days shall have elapsed from the time of her leaving said infected port; and the vessel herself and her cargo shall undergo such process of cleansing and disinfection as the Board of Health shall judge necessary.

Quarantine
for vessels
with small-
pox, etc., on
board.

17. On the arrival of a vessel at any port of this Kingdom which has or has had on board during the voyage, any person sick with smallpox or scarlet fever, (1,) the sick persons, if passengers for that port, shall be sent to the quarantine hospital for such a period as may be deemed necessary; (2,) the officers, crew, well passengers and other persons on board shall be placed in quarantine apart from the aforesaid, for such period as may be deemed necessary by the Board of Health; (3,) and the whole or part of the ship and its cargo shall undergo such fumigation and disinfection as the Board may

Vessel also to
be disinfect-
ed before
cargo may
be removed.

deem necessary. But with regard to all sick passengers other than passengers for that port, and with regard to all persons sick with cholera, yellow fever and plague, the Board will not consider itself bound to receive them or to take care of them in quarantine.

18. No person shall leave or visit any quarantined vessel, or any house, enclosure or place set apart for quarantine purposes; unless by written permission of the President of the Board of Health, or some agent authorized by said Board.

Written permits for entering or leaving a vessel, etc., in quarantine, or used for quarantine purposes.

19. Under no circumstances provided for by the last preceeding regulation, shall clothing, personal baggage, or any goods be allowed to be landed from any vessel or removed from any place, before having undergone such disinfecting process as may be ordered by the Board of Health; nor shall letters or mails be landed in Honolulu except by written permission of the President of the Board of Health, or in any other district of the Kingdom except by permission of the District Port Physician.

Disinfection required before landing things, even for mails.

20. Vessels arriving from an Asiatic port, or from any port reported to be infected with cholera, yellow fever, or smallpox shall not enter any port of this Kingdom, though such vessels may show a clean bill of health, until special permission is granted by the Board of Health for entry into the port of Honolulu, or by a duly accredited agent of the Board for entry at any other port in the Hawaiian Islands. Such vessels shall be anchored on quarantine ground, at such places as may be chosen by the Pilot under direction of the Port Physician, and remain at such anchorage until changed or admitted into port by the Board of Health.

Vessels from Asiatic ports or ports reported to be infected cannot enter without special permission.

21. The Board of Health may order the fumigation and disinfection of all personal effects of passengers from Asiatic ports.

Personal effects may be fumigated.

22. Any vessel placed in quarantine shall fly a yellow flag at the main by day and hoist a lantern at the main by night and shall keep such signals hoisted until released from quarantine.

Quarantine Signals.

23. It shall be the duty of the Pilot to deliver to the commanding officer of any vessel he may board a copy of the aforesaid quarantine regulations, with which he shall be provided by the Board of Health for that purpose.

Pilot to show copy of these regulations on boarding a vessel.



The Board at the same time adopted the following resolution :

RESOLVED: That all the quarantine regulations of the Kingdom previous to this date, be and the same are hereby rescinded.

DAVID DAYTON,

President of the Board of Health.

Attest:

GEO. C. POTTER,

Secretary.